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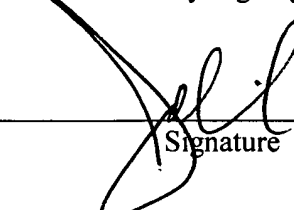
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Response

The present application is an application entered in the national stage from an international application in compliance with 35 USC §371. Applicants have previously made a claim for priority to both German Patent Application No. DE 101 38 885.3 filed August 8, 2001, and International Application No. PCT/EP02/08785 filed August 6, 2002. Applicants are hereby submitting a Supplemental Declaration claiming priority to both DE 101 38 885.3 and International Application No. PCT/EP02/08785.

This submission is being made during the pendency of this application, in accordance with 37 CFR §1.55(a)(1)(ii).

If the Examiner has any questions regarding this response, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned.

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